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**TITLE 12, CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS  
CHAPTER 4, SUBCHAPTER 1,  
AMEND SECTION 503  
REGARDING DEFINITIONS OF LEVELS OF CARE;  
CALIFORNIA VETERANS HOME**

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§ 503. Definitions of Levels of Care

Levels of Care at the Home - The Veterans Home is licensed by the State of California Department of ~~Public Health Services~~, and shall provide the following levels of care:

(a) Residential (Domiciliary) - For self-sufficient residents who are able to perform all the activities of daily living. Minimum personal care and supervision shall be provided by non-nursing personnel. ~~Access to medical care shall be available at all times. Applications for direct admission shall be accepted.~~

(b) Residential Care (Licensed) - ~~For self-sufficient residents who, with minimal assistance, are able to perform daily living activities. Potential residents of this level are placed in Intermediate Care until their physical capabilities for self-care have been evaluated. Applications for direct admission are not accepted. Residential Care (Licensed) is not available at the Veterans Home of California, Barstow. All residential care will be in the domiciliary at the Barstow facility.~~ *have a health condition which requires incidental medical services.*

(c) Couple Housing - A veteran with a spouse who is or is not a veteran shall be provided living arrangements to share. Such couples must demonstrate that they are able to function on a mutually supportive basis. In such cases, the spouse shall be provided the same medical benefits within the Veterans Home as the veteran. ~~Applications for direct admission are accepted. There are no apartments for couples at the Veterans Home of California, Barstow. Only double rooms for couple housing are available at the Barstow facility.~~

(d) Social Rehabilitation – *Where available,* ~~this~~ This program, through the Veterans Home Alcohol Treatment Service, provides care for alcohol related problems. Admission to and continued stay is dependent on the applicant's voluntary dedication to sobriety and to an ongoing effort to overcome alcohol addiction and upon the continuous participation in

the programs provided. Applicants shall sign an informed consent for treatment. The Veterans Home shall use an additional questionnaire covering the applicant's history and previous drinking pattern in the screening. ~~Applications for direct admission shall be accepted. No Alcohol Treatment Service is available at the Veterans Home of California, Barstow.~~

(e) Intermediate Care - Provides, as set forth in section 73051, Title 22, CCR, skilled nursing and supervision on less than a continuous basis. ~~Applications for direct admission shall be accepted.~~

(f) Skilled Nursing Care - Provides skilled nursing and supportive care to patients whose primary need is for this type of care on an extended basis. It provides 24-hour in-patient care and includes medical, nursing, dietary, pharmaceutical, *rehabilitation* services and an activity program. ~~No direct admission to this level of care is allowed from outside sources except when the Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) occupancy rate is below 75%.~~

(g) Acute Hospital Care - Provides intensive care on a 24-hour in-patient basis (medical, nursing, surgical, anesthesia, laboratory, radiology, pharmacy and dietary services). ~~No direct admission to this level of care is permitted from outside sources. Where available, This care is for existing Veterans Home members only. No acute hospital care exists at the California Veterans Home, Barstow. Acute hospital care is provided at Barstow Hospital, Victorville Community Hospital, or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Loma Linda.~~

Note: Authority cited: Sections 700 and 1044, Military and Veterans Code. Reference: Sections 1011, 1012 and 1043, Military and Veterans Code.